

REMARKS

Applicants' invention discloses not only the use of buffering but also availability of selecting the contents the user would like to obtain asynchronously.

Prior art does not have either an asynchronous accessing or selecting function. Therefore, prior art, alone or combined, does not teach Applicants' invention.

In order to more fully distinguish Applicants' invention from prior art and their appropriate dependency, claim 1 has been amended to recite:

[Claim 1] A method for asynchronously accessing supplementary media content based on broadcast media content received from a broadcast signal for use with a handheld device, comprising:

receiving trigger information extracted from the broadcast media content;

~~obtaining supplementary media content from a disparate source of media content; and~~

storing said supplementary media content from a disparate source of media content in a supplementary database;

parsing and translating said stored supplementary media content into a format; and

accessing the supplementary media content based on the trigger information, wherein said accessing occurs asynchronously, without simultaneous connection to a source of the broadcast signal and the disparate source of media content during said accessing.

Applicant respectfully asserts that independent claims 1, 26, and 51-53 recite novel subject matter neither taught, suggested, or motivated by cited prior art, and thus are in condition for allowance. Therefore, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner withdraw the rejections of claims 1-53 based on their dependency from allowable claims.

CONCLUSION

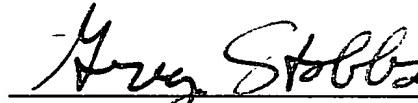
Claims 1 – 53 remain pending in the present application. Claim 1 has been amended. Claims 2 – 53 remain unchanged. Basis for the amendments can be found throughout the specification, claims and drawings as originally filed. No new matter has been added. Applicant believes that the amended claims do not go beyond the disclosure of the application as filed. In order to facilitate entry of this amendment, replacement sheets 8 and 8A of the International Application are included herewith.

Should there be any questions regarding the present application or this Amendment, please direct all communications to the undersigned at (248) 641-1600.

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